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In the application of

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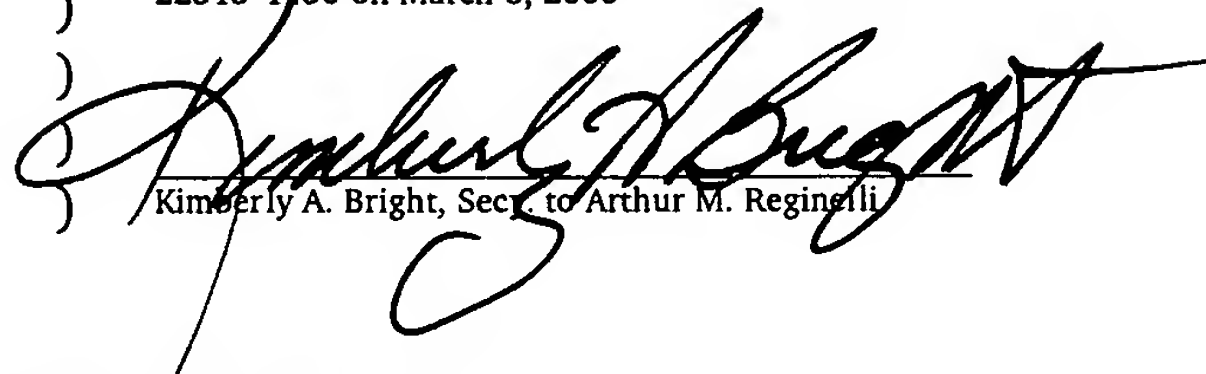
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 19, 2005, the Applicants, through their attorney, respond as follows.

Amendments to the Claim are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.